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## **Food Bank news**

The Grand Ronde Food Bank – iskam məkhmək haws – is operated by Marion-Polk Food Share, which has been leading the fight to end hunger since 1987 because no one should be hungry.

Recipients of SNAP, TANF, SSI or LIHEAP assistance automatically qualify for assistance at the Grand Ronde Food Bank, 9675 Grand Ronde Road. No one will be turned away in need of a food box.

"We believe that everyone deserves to have enough to eat," Food Bank Coordinator Francene Ambrose says. "You are welcome to get a food box at each of our regular weekly distributions. No one will be turned away in need of a food box."

The Food Bank will hold November food box distributions from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fridays. In addition, there is a light food box (mostly bread and produce) distribution from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays.

People must check in 15 minutes before closing to receive a food box on both days. If you need immediate assistance, call 211 or visit 211info.org.

Those who are unable to pick up a food box can fill out an authorized representative form and that designated person can pick up a food box on your behalf. The authorization is good for one year.

The Food Bank continues to seek volunteers to help with repacking food, putting food on the shelves, handing out food boxes, end-of-month inventory and picking up food donations at area stores.

Call to ensure someone is available to assist. People also can sign up for a monthly e-mail for the Food Bank calendar and events, as well as follow the Food Bank on Facebook.

The Food Bank is an equal opportunity provider.

Call Ambrose at 503-879-3663 or contact her at fambrose@marionpolkfoodshare.org for more information or to volunteer. ■

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## Committee & Special Event Board meeting days and times

- Ceremonial Hunting Board meets as needed. Chair: Marline Groshong.
- Culture Committee meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Grand Ronde Food Bank/iskam məkhmək haws, 9675 Grand Ronde Road. Chair: Francene Ambrose.
- Editorial Board meets monthly. The next meeting will be held 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 21, using the Zoom teleconference application. Chair: Mia Prickett. Contact: Editorial. Board@grandronde.org.
- Education Committee meets at 5:30 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month in the Adult Education building. Chair: Tammy Cook.
- Elders Committee meets at 10 a.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the Elders Activity Center. Chair: Daniel Ham.
- Enrollment Committee meets quarterly in Room 204 of the Governance Center. Chair: Debi Anderson.
- Fish & Wildlife Committee meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Harold Lyon.
- **Health Committee** meets at 10 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month in the Molalla Room of the Health & Wellness Center. Chair: Bernadine Shriver.
- Housing Grievance Board meets at 4 p.m. the third Thursday of the month in the Housing Department conference room. Chair: Simone Auger.
- Powwow Special Event Board meets monthly at noon at the Community Center.
  Dates vary. Contact Dana Ainam at 503-879-2037. Chair: Dana Ainam.
- **TERO Commission** meets at 10 a.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the Employment Services building. Chair: Russell Wilkinson.
- **Timber Committee** meets at 5 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Interim Chair: Jon R. George.
- **Veterans Special Event Board** meets at 5:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the old Elders Craft House. Chair: Rich VanAtta.

To update information on this list, contact Publications Coordinator Dean Rhodes at 503-879-1463 or dean.rhodes@grandronde.org.



2017 – Tribal member Jan Looking Wolf Reibach ended his sixyear award drought at the 17th annual Native American Music Awards when he won the award for best performance in a music video for his song "Ascension." He dedicated the "Ascension" compact disc to Tribal Council member Denise Harvey's son, who walked on in April 2000.



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2012 – In a surprise move three weeks before Election Day, supporters of measures 82 and 83 threw in the towel. Organizers stopped airing TV commercials and took down a social media page. The two measures would have amended the state Constitution to allow private casinos, including one in Wood Village. Before giving up, proponents had spent more than \$6 million on collecting signatures to place the two measures on the ballot and touting them statewide.

**2007** – Tribal Elder Ruth Rickard, 77, was featured in an article that described her colorful life and work ethic. She raised four children as a single mother, but also found time for fun with family and friends. Rickard had a range of jobs in social service and restaurant settings during the years, including at a homeless and domestic violence shelter in Salem, and a Native American hospital in Alaska.

2002 – The Tribe hosted its first beading class at the Community Center, which attracted 16 interested beaders. Many who attended the class already knew how to bead, but wanted to sharpen their skills or have a refresher course. There were also an equal number of novice beaders in attendance. The attendees were taught to do a basic beading stitch, called the Peyote Stitch. One attendee was Tribal Elder and longtime beader Norma Lee, who brought several beading books with her.

1997 – The after-school sports program pilot in Grand Ronde proved successful with 63 youth participating in soccer. The local Service Integration Team, which helped promote healthy families, received a grant to offer the sports program. The goal was to give youth positive life experiences.

1992 – The Tribe was preparing to celebrate its ninth anniversary of Restoration on Nov. 22. "The passing of the Restoration Act is a very significant event in Tribal history because it allowed the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde to function as its own entity and have Tribal status in the eyes of the federal government," an article stated.

1987 – Tribal administration was considering leasing the Grand Ronde Hotel for its office site to consolidate programs in one location and help alleviate overcrowding at its other offices. The hotel was built in the 1920s and had been most recently used as a senior living complex.

Yesteryears is a look back at Tribal history in five-year increments through the pages of Smoke Signals.

